MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI PATEL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Except Kerala, Jammu & Kashmir, Mizoram, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Lakshadweep, all the States and Union Territories have their own farm produce marketing laws known as "State Agricultural Produce Markets Acts". The Acts provide for payment of a market fee ranging from 0.25 per cent ad-valorem in Tripura to 2.00 per cent ad-valorem in Punjab, Haryana and Chandigarh to be collected from the buyers.

(c) The market fee is collected to finance the administrative expenses of the concerned Market Committee and the Marketing Board and also to develop the marketing infrastructure. This is a very small fraction of the sale price of the produce and does not cause any harassment to the agro-base and agro-processing industry.

(d) The Government of India is constantly impressing upon the States and Union Territories to enact the Agricultural Produce Market Acts and to bring all the Markets under regulation. The Government of India also set up a High Power Committee commissioned for the purpose in January, 1992. The report of the Committee which contains several recommendations in this regard is under examination.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Memorandum of Understanding (1993-94) between Government of India and the Coal India Limited

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): Madam, I lay on the Table a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Ministry of Coal) and the Coal India Limited for the year 1993-94. [Placed in library. *See* No. LT. 4452/93]

Memorandum of Understanding (1993-94) between the Government of India and the IBP Company Limited and the Balmer Lauwie Company Limited

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED on behalf of Shri Satish Sharma): Madam, I lay on the Table a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

(i) Third Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas) and the IBP Co. Limited for the year 1993-94.

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(ii) Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas) and the Balmer Lawrie and Company Limited for the year 1993-94.

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I. Reports (1992-93) on the working and activities of the various Banks and related papers.

II. Statements showing action taken by the Government on various assurances, promises and undertaking given during various Sessions.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED): Madam, I lay on the Table—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the Annual Reports on the working and activities of the following Banks, for the year 1992-93, together with the Accounts and the Auditors' Report thereon, under sub-section (8) of section 10 of the Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings) Act, 1970:—

(1) Bank of Baroda

[Placed in library. *See* No. LT. 4511/93]

(2) Canara Bank

[Placed in library. *See* No. LT. 4512/93]

II. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the Annual Reports on the working and activities of the Oriental Bank of Commerce, for the year 1992-93, together with the Accounts and the Auditors' Report thereon, under sub-section (8) of section 10 of the Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings) Act, 1980.

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III. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the Annual Report on the working and activities of the State Bank of India for the year 1992-93, together with the Accounts and the Auditors' Report thereon, under sub-section (4) of section 40 of the State